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In re patent application of

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For: TAILORED INDEX SINGLE MODE OPTICAL AMPLIFIERS AND  
DEVICES AND SYSTEMS INCLUDING SAME

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## PRIOR ART SUBMISSION

Sir:

For the possible benefit of anyone subsequently evaluating the scope and/or validity of the above patent, it is respectfully requested that the following references, which were cited or submitted in corresponding parent Application No. 09/951,778, be placed in the file wrapper:

1. United States Patent No. 6,459,715
2. United States Patent No. 6,061,170
3. United States Patent No. 5,305,412
4. United States Patent No. 5,729,375
5. United States Patent No. 6,301,037
6. United States Patent No. 5,568,318
7. United States Patent No. 5,787,107
8. United States Patent No. 4,823,357
9. United States Patent No. 5,048,911
10. United States Patent No. 5,202,893
11. United States Patent No. 5,394,492
12. United States Patent No. 5,222,071
13. United States Patent No. 5,894,492
14. United States Patent No. 5,513,195
15. United States Patent No. 5,715,270
16. United States Patent No. 5,333,219

17. United States Patent No. 6,317,445
18. United States Patent No. 6,249,536
19. United States Patent No. 4,942,585
20. United States Patent No. 4,856,017
21. United States Patent No. 4,965,806
22. United States Patent No. 6,519,062
23. United States Patent No. 6,233,085
24. United States Patent No. 6,134,034
25. United States Patent No. 6,301,037
26. United States Patent No. 5,003,550
27. United States Patent No. 5,592,503
28. United States Patent No. 5,394,492
29. United States Patent No. 5,305,412
30. United States Patent No. 6,061,170
31. United States Patent No. 5,202,893

Copies of these references are not provided in accordance with 37 C.F.R. §1.98(d). The undersigned has not reviewed the teachings of these references in detail and, thus, makes no representations concerning their relevancy or materiality.

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